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Dave Lewis American Gilsonite Company HC 73 Box 28 Vernal, Utah 84078-9284

Subject: Five-Year Review of Reclamation Surety Estimate, American Gilsonite

Company, Bonanza Mine, M/047/010, Uintah County, Utah

Dear Mr. Lewis:

The Division conducts the periodic review of reclamation surety estimates to verify accuracy, make adjustments for escalation, and account for any site modifications that could result in a change of the surety amount presently being held for the site.

The reclamation surety for the Bonanza Mine is due for review as of year 2005. To assist us in this review, we request an updated map of your site showing current surface facilities and disturbances. Please provide the updated map at a scale of not less than 1 inch = 500 feet, which may include: buildings, stationary mining/processing equipment, roads, utilities, power lines, drainage structures (i.e. berms, culverts, etc.), topsoil, ore and product storage areas, overburden/waste dumps, tailings or processed waste facilities, solid and liquid wastes, and wastewater discharge treatment and containment facilities, etc. This map should include all areas which have been affected by this operation to date.

If any reclamation has been completed on the site since the last surety estimate review, complete the enclosed MR-Bond/Site-Release form. This form is also available on the Division web at www.dogm.utah.gov. Please provide a separate map of the same scale as the site map, clearly identifying these reclaimed areas, the acreage affected, and the date of the reclamation. Please cross-hatch or



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shade the areas to identify the reclamation treatments (i.e. ripping, regrading, mulching, seeding, etc.) which have been applied.

Please provide this information within the next 60 days or no later than December 27, 2005. If you are unable to meet this timeframe, please contact the Division with justification for requesting additional time. Thank you for providing this information to assist us in our surety estimate review. If you have any questions concerning this letter, please contact Doug Jensen at (801) 538-5382.

Sincerely,

Susan M. White

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Enclosure: Form MR-Bond/Site Release

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